## MUTT & JEFF-You've Forgotten Things Yourself, You Know You Have.

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Germany Would Prosecute Those Who Libel Bernstorff.

Only the President Has Right

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Department of justice officials today stated that there will be great activity in the courts against alleged conspirators and plotters after the first of the year. It was stated authoritatively that the United States district attorneys at New York, San Francisco and other piaces where indictments have been asked, are ready to proceed with the prosecutions. The evidence in all these cases has been sumitted to high officials of the department of justice before any action was taken in the courts. It was stated today that the government has unusually strong cases against the alleged plotters and that convictions are absolutely certain.

By BUD FISHER TAKE IT TO COURT?

to Criticise Him.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Indications were given today that the German government is making plans to demand the punishment for criminal libel of those who have made accusations against Count von Bernstoff, German ambassador. The German embassy has complained several times to the state department of attacks against the ambassador. It is understood that the reply has always been that the ambassador has recourse to the courts and it was indicated today that action along that line is now contemplated.

The German attitude is that Count von Bernstoff is amenable only to the president for any possible offense and must not be subjected to private accusations. This view is based on the following principle of international law, as propounded in Moore's digest:

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## PLAYER LIMIT

Major League Clubs May Carry Fifty Men on Roster.

Sinclair Says He Will Retire From National Sport.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—"Hank" O'Day, veteran umpire and for-mer manager of the Chicago and Cincinnati National league clubs, will return to the National will return to the National league as an ample next season. William Breman, who went to the Federal from the National, also will be included in the staff, it was said here today.

Cincinnati, Ohlo. Dec. 24.—The Chicago Nationals and the St. Louis Americans are exempt until the year 1917 from that provision under which organized baseball now is working. Ilmiting the number of players of each team on May 20, of each year.

This is part of the baseball peace according to August Herrmann, chairman of the national commission. Mr. Herrmann made this announcement Thursday night when told that Harry Sinclair, one of the Federal league peace conferees, had stated that there would be no players limit in baseball next year. In the National league, the number of players limited to a team is 21, while in the American league the limit is fixed at 25.

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"You can say," he added, "that the ewners of the Cincinnati Nationals have offered me \$5,000 for Pitcher Moseley, of Newark, and that the owner of another National League club offered me \$15,000 for Magoe. Newark Federal League club, has Moseley will go to Cincinnati as soon as I get the \$5,000. Magee, however, is worth much more than \$15,000 in

### STARS TO LEAD KANSAS FOOTBALL TEAMS IN '16

Captain for most of 1916 football elevens in Kansas have been chosen. The list includes a number of the state's leading gridiron lights during the season just closed among them are: Adrian Lindsey, University of Kansas; Bert Barnes, Kansas State Agricultural college; Sam Stewart, Washburn: Charles Williams, Haskell; Wezzy Wallace, College of Emporia; William Monypenny, Emporia State Normal school; Arthur Olson, Bethany; Christ Ott, Ottawa: E. H. Cummings, Hays Normal; John Edwards, Cooper; John Couradt, St. Marys; Rex Stevens, Kansas Wesleyn; and Carl C. Cockrell, Pittsburg Normal school.

"Owing to the combination and amalgamation of two clubs in the Federal league to a club in the Federal league to a club in the National league, we consider it unjust to ask these clubs to dispose of what would naturally be considered a large number of players," said Mr. Herrmann. "I cannot say accurately." Mr. Herrmann added, "but I estimate that with the Chicago Cubs absorbing the Chicago Federals and the St. Louis Browns taking in the same manner and observe the limit."

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Crimsons Have Offered Indiana Place

on Their 1916 Football Schedule. Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 24.—It was stated here Thursday that Indiana university will be asked to take one of the two vacant places on the Harvard football schedule for 1916. The dates not yet filled include October

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 24.—E. O. Stiehm, who, next year, is to pilot the Hoosier team, said Indiama had not arranged a game for October 2 with Harvard but that tentative arranged. Claus for the neighborhood. As a ments had been made for a game with Chicago on October 14. In case Harvard is taken up, he thought it would mean the cancellation of the Chicago.

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The International League.

Mr. Barrow returned yesterday after attending a peace conference at Cincinnati. Mr. Barrow said the contracts taken by Mr. Sinclair did not include, however, the players taken over by the merger of the Chicago and St. Louis clubs.

The other clubs, as well as the Federal League, have relinquished their claims to Federal League players and will put them entirely into Sinclair's hands, Mr. Barrow said.

"He has assumed responsibility for contracts and will endeavor to get as much for the players as he can," added Mr. Barrow.

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Barrow's statement supplements Sinclair's announcement at St. Louis yesterday that he had the disposition of the Kansas City, Buffalo and Newark Federal League players. It apparently explains how Sinclair came to possess the contracts of Benny Kauff. Lee Magee and George Anderson of the Brooklyn Federals.

"Sinclair will give the Cubs and St. Louis Browns first chance for the Federal League stars and after these clubs take what they want it will be up to the other clubs to bid for what ever players they care to take. The way I see it, both the Browns and Cubs will have first chance to get Benny Kauff and Lee Magee if these clubs care to take over the contracts."

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And then the man turns out the lights, And they can't see the balls—
It's the Radintor League at nights In public billiard halls.

—By Roy Allen.

The war is over and everybody is asking who the victors are. Probably some of the players could tell.

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Lakaff is supposed to be in Middle-town, O., now, but what he is doing besides acting the part of a groom has probably become old stuff with him which was to see a third major league.

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# "Bill" wants that championship next season worse than he ever wanted it before. If you saw the last game of the season at Western league park Labor day, there is no need to tell you what an ideal Santa Claus Bill Rapps will make for the little Missourians around in his neighborhood. Charlie White announces that he is

Charlie White announces that he is through chasing F. Weish for a cham-pionship bout. But, to say the least, every chase has been good advertis-ing for Charlie, even if it hasn't brought in anything else,

By taking a stand against public opinion, faculties of the "Big Nine" seem to have found a new way to get into the limelight. Putting the ban on baseball brought them a great little batch of publicity, and now opposition to football is beginning to be worked.

Topeka Man Pays \$1.75 for Dinner of Mother's Cooking Which He Received by Mail.

Apparently a lot of people don't know it, but it is a fact that no notes or letters are permitted in parcel post packages. And it is a further fact that if a note or letter is discovered in such a package the sender or the recipient must pay first class postage on the package.

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At Wisconsin it is said that influential faculty members consider football conditions so bad that the only remedy is to eliminate football as a college sport. A well defined effort on the part of authorities to choke off competition between the Big Nine colleges, and to inject "intramural" or home sports in their place is said to be on foot.

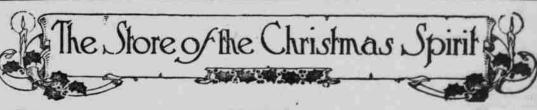
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Here in Kansas Bethany college, at Lindsborg, is the most recent example. After the passing of the "Terrible Swede" elevens, the Bethany authorities thought for a few years that they could get along just as well without football. But last season found Bethany back with a team.

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